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IMAGERY INFORMATION REPORT

FIRST IDENTIFICATION OF FISHBED AIRCRAFT IN ETHIOPIA (S)

(S/WNINTEL) FISHBED aircraft were identified in Ethiopia for the first time at Harar Meda Airfield. Six FISHBED were observed on the main parking apron. Six FISHBED fuselage shipping containers (type L), four type B containers, six fuselage containers of undetermined type (one in two pieces not annotated on the graphic), and 14 FISHBED component crates were in the support area of the airfield (all annotated on graphic).

(S/WNINTEL) Additional aircraft observed (not annotated on the graphic) included three Canberra, 12 F-5, one F-86, three T-33, five T-28, eight C-119 (three derelict), one DC-6-type, three C-47, three light straight-wing, and three small straight-wing.

(S/WNINTEL) A probable air-warning radar site was just east of the northwest end of the runway. A probable FLAT FACE radar and two antiair-craft guns were deployed on a hill overlooking the airfield. Another probable FLAT FACE (in travel mode) and ten antiaircraft guns were in the support area of the airfield. Fourteen small, tracked vehicles (not annotated on the graphic) were also in the support area.

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